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Permanent Residents and New Zealand Citizens

I have just become a Permanent Resident. How do I change my residency status at the ANU?

You will need to provide documentation to Student Administration in the form of your passport that displays your Permanent Resident visa meet with the Compliance Officer in the Office of Policy & Regulation Unit (OPAR) (Pauline Griffin Bldg 11) to organise the Entitlement Verification online form from DIAC. ANU must receive this documentation prior to the first census date of the current semester or session for the student's fees to be reduced for that semester. Otherwise the student will remain on International fees for the remainder of the semester or session. The citizenship status will then change in the next session or semester you are enrolled.

What fees do I pay if I am a Permanent Resident or a New Zealand citizen?

- Permanent Residents and New Zealand citizens undertaking an undergraduate program are Commonwealth Supported but must pay the relevant Student Contributions upfront without a discount. (please see the Information for Commonwealth Supported Students Booklet) or see http://www.anu.edu.au/sas/fees/tuition_fees_undergraduate/index.php.
- Permanent Residents and New Zealand citizens undertaking a non-award program will pay at the domestic tuition fee (DTF) rates.
- Some Permanent Residents and New Zealand citizens may be eligible for a Commonwealth supported place in a postgraduate program. Permanent Residents and New Zealand citizens in all other postgraduate programs will be charged DTF rates. **Please check with your relevant College as not all colleges have this option available.**

Are Permanent Residents and New Zealand citizens eligible to defer their fees to the Australian Tax Office through HECS-HELP and FEE-HELP?

Permanent Residents and New Zealand citizens who commenced their program from 2005 onwards are not eligible for HECS-HELP or FEE-HELP and must pay their fees upfront without a discount by the fee due date.

Are there any exceptions?

- Permanent humanitarian visa holders who have not yet met the requirements to become an Australian citizen are eligible for HECS-HELP and FEE-HELP and can either pay upfront with a discount or defer their fees to the Australian Tax Office (ATO). Please see the following webpage for more information on visa subclasses <http://www.goingtouni.gov.au/NR/rdonlyres/F59BA4F2-AE84-4604-8E24-6889C01AB788/0/PermanentVisaSubclasses.pdf>
- Permanent Residents and New Zealand citizens who commenced their program prior to 2005 and have continued in the same program will also continue to be eligible for HECS-HELP and FEE-HELP as long as they have not yet met the requirements to become an Australian citizen.
- Students who hold a diplomatic visa may also be eligible for a discount on their tuition fees. Please see the information sheet on Diplomatic Students Tuition Fee Concession or visit the website info.anu.edu.au/policies/policies/students/other/diplomats_tuition_fees_Concession.asp

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